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To: Marceillars, Rochelle [Marceillars.Rochelle@epa.gov]
Subject: Re: Grant Funding Opportunities

Thanks for reaching out, and keeping us updated on matters that effect us.

Yours,
Bro. Greg

On Mon, Mar 9, 2020, 10:54 AM Marceillars, Rochelle <Marceillars.Rochelle@epa.gov> wrote:

I would like to share the below information on the upcoming grant opportunities and general information that could provide assistance to the City of East St. Louis. Hopefully, you will take advantage and apply. Thanks.

IDOT — Transportation Planning Grants

Application Deadline: March 13, 2020

The funds are eligible to internal and external parties. Statewide Planning & Research funds are used to support planning and research activities. The funds are used to establish a cooperative, continuous and comprehensive framework for making transportation investment decisions and to carryout transportation planning and research activities throughout the state. For more information click on <http://idot.illinois.gov/transportation-system/transportation-management/planning/index>.

Urban Forestry Luncheon

Registration Ends: March 20, 2020

Join Heartlands Conservancy for an informative look at Urban Forestry in the region and throughout Illinois on **March 30, 2020, 11:00am – 1:30pm** at the Metro East Park & Recreation District, 104 United Drive, Collinsville IL. Registration and lunch total cost will be \$10.00 per person. To register click on <https://www.heartlandsconservancy.org/urbanforest.php>.

BUILD Discretionary Grants – U.S. Department of Transportation Availabilty of \$1 Billion Funding

Application Deadline: May 18, 2020

FY 2020 BUILD Transportation grants are for planning and capital investments in surface transportation infrastructure and are to be awarded on a competitive basis for projects that will have a significant local or regional impact. BUILD funding can support roads, bridges, transit, rail, ports or intermodal transportation. For more information click on <https://www.transportation.gov/BUILDgrants>. DOT will also

hold a webinar on how to compete for the BUILD grant, <https://www.transportation.gov/BUILDgrants/outreach>, on **March 10, 2020 (tomorrow)**. **NOTE:** Adobe Connect requires attendees to have Flash Player 10.1 or higher. To test your system, please copy and paste the following link into your browser:
https://connectdot.connectsolutions.com/common/help/en/support/meeting_test.htm

The National Park Service (NPS) Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership Program funds

Application Deadline: July 10, 2020

The program provides funding for projects that would acquire or develop public land for outdoor recreation purposes located within or serving Census-delineated "urbanized areas." Eligible entities include U.S. state and local government agencies. For additional information click on <https://www.grants.gov/web/grants/view-opportunity.html?oppId=324077>.

Water & Waste Disposal Loan & Grant Program

Application Deadline: Ongoing

The program provides funding for clean and reliable drinking water systems, sanitary sewage disposal, sanitary solid waste disposal, and storm water drainage to households and businesses in eligible rural areas. For more information click on https://www.rd.usda.gov/sites/default/files/fact-sheet/508_RD_FS_RUS_WEPDirect.pdf.

Municipal Park Grant Commission Planning Grant Application

Application Deadline: Ongoing

The program awards grants to municipalities in order to help plan future parks and recreation projects. The planning grant must be met by a 20% match by the municipality, and cannot exceed an award amount of \$6,400. They are also awarded an ongoing basis with applications accepted at any time during the year. For more information click on <https://www.muniparkgrants.org/wp-content/uploads/2016/05/Planning-Grant-Application.pdf>.

How America's Shrinking Cities Can 'Rightsize'

Although most US cities have gone to great lengths to avoid admitting shrinkage publicly, [some have taken innovative steps to accept the new reality](#): that they will never return to their former glory and need to adapt to their smaller size.

Local Governments Want More in State Revenue Sharing

The Illinois Municipal League on Monday [unveiled its "Moving Cities Forward" agenda](#) which includes

efforts to remove unfunded mandates on municipalities, protect local governments from lawsuits resulting from data breach and give non-home rule communities greater authority to tax.

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